

H.R. 15572, Making Appropriations for the Department of HUD; for space, science, veterans, and certain other independent executive agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and for other purposes.

Sec. 406. No funds appropriated by this Act may be transferred to, or expended by, or on behalf of the Central Intelligence Agency.

This amendment was introduced by Senator William Proxmire. The bill is scheduled for floor action on Monday, 5 August.

Since the Central Intelligence Agency is not included in the appropriations provided under H. R. 15572, such an amendment is not germane to the bill and is in violation of statute:

- a. Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 at 50 U.S.C.A. 403f (a) provides:

"Transfer to and receive from other Government agencies such sums as may be approved by the Bureau of the Budget, for the performance of any of the functions or activities authorized under sections 403 and 405 of this title, and any other Government agency is authorized to transfer to or receive from the Agency such sums without regard to any provisions of law limiting or prohibiting transfers between appropriations. . ." (Emphasis added)

- b. The Economy Act of 1932 as amended 31 U.S.C.A. 686 which provides for the purchase or manufacturer of stores or materials or performance of services by a bureau or department for another bureau or department.

The amendment may also violate the provisions of the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921, Title 31 U.S.C.A., and provisions of the Budget and Accounting Procedures Act of 1950, Title 31 U.S.C.A.

Further, such a provision would prohibit any transfer of funds between the Central Intelligence Agency and the designated agencies even though they may be normal and generally routine transactions. Such transfers are authorized under the Economy Act in the interests of promoting efficiency and economy in Government.